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1. EMBASSY SHOULD DELIVER FOLLOWING REPLY FROM PRESIDENT TO BOURGUIBA IN LETTER FORMAT: "DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: YOUR MESSAGE TO ME ON THE OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST WAS DELIVERED IN WASHINGTON ON OCTOBER 14. AS PART OF THE ACTIVE EFFORTS OF THE UNITED STATES TO BRING AN END TO THE FIGHTING AND TO ESTABLISH A BASIS FOR FUTURE PEACE EFFORTS WE JOINED WITH THE SOVIET UNION IN INTRODUCING THE CEASE FIRE RESOLUTION WHICH THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL ADOPTED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE ON OCTOBER 22, 1973. YOU HAVE MY PERSONAL ASSURANCE THAT MY GOVERNMENT WILL DO ITS PART TO HELP THE PARTIES INVOLVED REACH A SETTLEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THIS RESOLUTION.

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2. I KNOW THAT YOU SHARE MY CONCERN OVER THE EXTENT TO

WHICH THE TRAGIC SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST FOR TOO LONG HAS TROUBLED THE PEACE OF THE AREA AND OF THE WORLD. FOR THIS REASON I AM CONFIDENT THAT TUNISIA WILL ADD ITS EFFORTS TO THOSE OF OTHER NATIONS. IN WORKING FOR A FAIR AND EQUITABLE SETTLEMENT WHICH WILL PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF ALL THE PEOPLES IN THIS TROUBLED AREA. SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON." USG DOES NOT PLAN TO PUBLICIZE RESPONSE BUT WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION IF GOT DID SO. KISSINGER

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